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This is a decision on the request for corrected of patent application publication under 37 CFR 1.221(b), filed on November 10, 2004 for the above-identified application

The request is DISMISSED.

Applicant requests that the application be republished because the patent application publication contains a material error as the word "t0" is misprinted as "to" in paragraph [0008.

37 CFR 1.221 (b) is applicable "only when the Office makes a material mistake which is apparent from Office records." A material mistake must affect the public's ability to appreciate the technical disclosure of the patent application publication, to determine the scope of the patent application publication, or to determine the scope of the provisional rights that an applicant may seek to enforce upon issuance of a patent.¹

The error noted by requestor wherein the phrase "[a]t a time t1 occurring three periods T after time t0, block 10 provides bus COM" is misprinted as "[a]t a time t1 occurring three periods T after time to, block 10 provides bus COM" in paragraph [0008], which describes Figure 2 in the discussion of the related art is an Office error, but the mistake is a minor typographical error, which is clearly understandable to one of ordinary skill in reading the specification and the claims. The mistake is a minor typographical error, which is clearly understandable from reading the sentence and paragraph in which the phrase is used, as terms are not read in a vacuum and t0 is clearly shown in the drawings. The mistake does not affect the public's ability to appreciate the technical disclosure of the patent application publication, or determine the scope of the patent application publication or determine the scope of the provisional rights that an applicant may seek to enforce upon issuance of a patent.

¹Changes to Implement Eighteen-Month Publication of Patent Applications, 65 FR 57023, 57038 (Sept. 20, 2000), 1239, Off. Gaz. Pat. Office Notices 63, 75 (Oct 10, 2000) (final rule).

Furthermore, these are not material errors since the Image File Wrapper (IFW) for this application is available to the public, as of its publication date.

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